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April 21, 2021

Dear Chairman DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for the Cowles Street reconstruction project in forthcoming surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is the Fairbanks Area Surface Transportation (FAST) Planning organization which is the state-designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for Fairbanks, Alaska. FAST is located at 100 Cushman Street Suite 205, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701.

The requested funding is designated to reconstruct approximately 4,500 feet of Cowles Street from 1st Avenue to the East-West Cowles Street intersection with a complete modernization of the streetscape.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits for Fairbanks. Cowles road provides direct access to Fairbanks' essential community services. Additionally, Cowles Street is also a major service corridor for public transportation hosting three fixed transit routes, which collectively provide 61% of the total annual ridership of the community.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

April 21, 2021